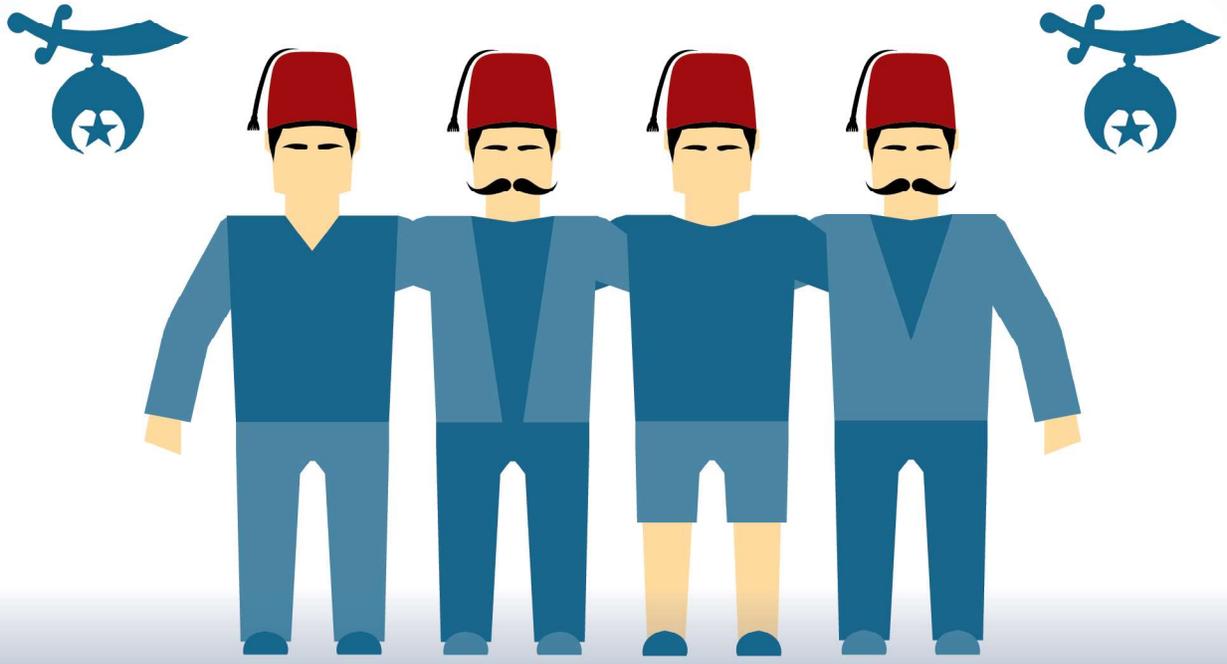


# ARAB Antics

August/September/October 2019



**Imperial Potentate Jeffrey L. Sowder being Fezzed by his wife and First Lady Cheryl Sowder. The Sowders are from Eureka, Kansas and the Midian Shrine. Learn more about them online at: [shrinersinternational.org](http://shrinersinternational.org)**



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### August

16 Hors d'oeuvres Swiners/Brews Brothers  
17 Provost Guard Fish Fry/Pitch Tournament  
19 Golfers, Sabetha  
21-24 CSSA, Sioux City

### September

2 Labor Day, Office Closed  
7 Fall Clean-Up Day  
9 Stated Meeting with Ladies  
13 Hors d'oeuvres Boaters  
14 Texas Hold'em Tournament  
15-18 Golfers Outing, Nebraska  
18 Special Meeting  
21 Fall Ceremonial, Ladies Luncheon  
27-29 Ladies Trip, Missouri  
30 Golfers, Cyprus Ridge

### October

5 Clowns Wine Tasting  
7 Stated Meeting  
9 Bingo Appreciation Dinner  
11-13 Mystery Trip  
19 Antiques Car Show, Boo At the Zoo  
26 Harvest Party, Winchester, Boo At the Zoo  
27 Sun Devils Halloween Party  
31 Halloween



## Elective Divan

Potentate	Steve Kramer
Chief Rabban	Larry Dain
Assistant Rabban	Kurt Lawson
High Priest & Prophet	John Cahill
Oriental Guide	Jeff Neal
Treasurer	Kim Komarek
Recorder	Alan Holt, P.P.

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Outer Guard	Gary Ashton
Chaplain	Mark Varble

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Kurt Lawson, Assistant Rabban  
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Alt: Jeff Neal, Oriental Guide

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# From Your Potentate

bringing home more trophies to display.

On September 14th, we will have Casino Night/Texas Hold'em tournament, hosted by Drew TTrkelson and Lady Barb and PGM Roy Sullivan and Lady Becky. It should be an exciting event.

Our Fall Ceremonial, September 21st, is always an important event for Arab Shrine, so please plan to attend and meet the new Nobles and their Ladies.

October 11-13 will bring us the Mystery Trip, and true to its name, I have no idea where we are going! Thanks to ILL Sir Paul Clarkson and Lady Diana and staff for all the planning that goes into this event.

October 26th, Peggy and I will be sponsoring the Harvest Day/Barn Party, which will be a first for Arab Shrine. Nobles, Ladies, children, and grandchildren will be able to take a ride in a combine, which will be harvesting corn or soybeans. There will be a fishing tournament with a cash prize, a fish fry and games and activities. You don't want to miss this as

it will likely happen only once! Final details will be forthcoming as time nears.

I would like to congratulate Roger Farthing as Arab Shrine's Noble of the Year. It is well deserved and overdue. Thank you, Roger!

As you know parade season is already here, so please come out a support our parade units. Don't forget to wear your Shrine attire!

Bingo has become the most important fund raising campaign for Arab Shrine and vital to our success. We would like to thank all the volunteers who make Bingo successful. Please come to help or play and enjoy the great food the concession stand provides.

In closing I would like to thank our Arab Shriners and Ladies for all they do to make our Shrine successful. We are looking forward to enjoying all the upcoming events and having fun while supporting our children.

Summer is upon us and what a summer it has been. Will it ever stop raining? I would like to thank Ill Sir Paul Clarkson and Lady Diana and crew for hosting the Kentucky Derby Party. It was a huge success and a most fun event.

The first Kansas Shrine Bowl to be held in Dodge City, June 8th, was a great game except for the score at the end.

The Golfers held a successful golf tournament for the Shriners Hospitals and the Travel Fund, with the weather cooperating this time.

CSSA will be in held in Sioux City, IA this year with hopes of

## **Official Call of the Potentate**

Notice is hereby given of a Stated meeting of Arab Shriners at 1305 South Kansas Avenue Topeka, KS for the transaction of such business as may be regularly presented on:

◀Monday, September 9, 2019

◀Monday, October 7, 2019

# From the First Lady

It's hard to believe how fast the year is going and summer is already here. Hopefully, you all have had the opportunity to attend some of the many events Arab Shrine or units/clubs have hosted this year. For those who attended the Kentucky Derby Party, I hope you had as much fun as Steve and I did! Thanks go to Ill. Sir Paul Clarkson and Lady Diana for chairing this event. Fun was had by all! The Ladies were invited to the Stated Meeting in May. Imperial Sir Brad Koehn informed the Nobles and Ladies of possible changes to the Shriners Hospitals. Congratulations to Noble Roger Farthing, the Noble of the Year.

The Ladies Brunch held in June was well attended and, as usual, the Kitchen Crew created a fantastic menu, with John Sidwell's famous cheesecake for dessert. The bloody mary/mimosa bar was a hit as well. Ladies enjoyed painting their very own barn quilt, under the guidance of Kimberly Justus and Vicki Sanders. We have some very talented Ladies at Arab.

Kansas Shrine Bowl was held in Dodge City this year. We had a great crowd, beautiful weather and great players, band and cheer squad. We even had several players who are related to Arab Shrine members! Thanks to all who were able to attend.

Summer is supposed to be "dark" but there are so many parades and events to attend! Bingo is a major fund raiser for Arab, so please support it by working or playing. The pot continues to grow, so join in the fun! Please check the Parade Schedule on

Arab Shrine's website or email blasts. Several of the main events this summer are Imperial, June 30-July 4, in Nashville, TN and CSSA, Aug 21-25, in Sioux City, IA. We hope to see a great turnout in Sioux City for all the competitions and fun. Hopefully, we will bring home many trophies again this year!

The fall brings many more fun activities. The Ladies are invited to the Stated Meeting, September 9th. We have a very interesting program for the Ladies.

A Texas Hold 'em tournament will be held on September 14th. Plans are being made for a fun evening!

Our Fall Ceremonial with Ladies Luncheon will be held on September 21st. Please plan to attend and welcome our new Nobles and Ladies to Arab Shrine. Let's show our new members that we are like family, coming together to help our Shrine Children.

Ladies, get ready for a fun Ladies Trip, September 27-29. We will be going to Hermann, MO and Karen Marlow has put together a great weekend! Watch for details.

Our Mystery Trip, October 11-13, coordinated by Ill. Sir Paul



## Peggy Coots

Clarkson and Lady Diana, will be fantastic. Don't ask us where we are going, because they are keeping us in the dark, too!

Harvest Days will be held on October 26th. Come ride in the combines and enjoy fishing, fun and food!

Get ready for the Sportsman's Raffle, November 9th. Great raffle prizes and fun is planned for the day.

My thanks go out to all for your dedication and commitment to the Arab Shrine Family. Keeping us strong is a necessity in being able to take care of our Shrine Children.



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# Imperial Potentate Jeffrey Sowder and First Lady Cheryl from Kansas



Jeffrey L. Sowder of Toronto, Kansas, is currently serving his 11th year as a member of the Boards of Directors for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children®. He was elected Imperial Potentate, part of the 12-member body that helps govern the Shriners fraternity, during the Shriners' 2019 Imperial Session – held in Nashville, Tennessee, June 30 – July 4.

Sowder was raised a Master Mason in 1975 at Toronto Woodson Lodge #121. He served as Master of his lodge in 1981, 1983, 1991 and 1992. After many Grand Lodge appointments, including District Deputy Grand Master, Area Deputy Grand Master, and Chairman of the Grand Lodge Membership Committee, and serving as an appointive Grand Officer on three separate occasions, he was elected Grand Junior Warden in 1994, and he served as Grand Master of Kansas in 1997.

Sowder became a member of Midian Shriners in Wichita, Kansas, in 1988 and served as the temple's Potentate in 2004. Sowder has served on many committees at the Imperial level, including the Pilot Implementation Team, Executive Membership Committee,

and the Building and Equipment, East/West Shrine Game®, Strategic Planning, Donor Relations, TRAC, Ritual and Leadership Training and Education Seminars Committees. He has also been a presenter at the Imperial Membership, Oriental Guide and Assistant Rabban seminars.

Sowder served as the personal representative for the Wichita Scottish Rite Valley in Wichita from 2006 to 2009. He served on the board of the Kansas Masonic Foundation for 25 years and as its President from 2004 to 2011.

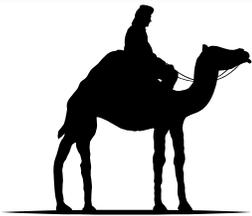
Sowder was born and raised on a ranch in Kansas. He operates four separate agricultural-related corporations – a 1,000-head cow/calf operation, a retail feed business serving ranchers throughout the Flint Hills of Kansas, a wholesale cattle mineral business with distribution in four states, and a multifaceted agricultural wholesale/retail business in Wichita.

Sowder and his wife, Cheryl, have been married for 45 years and have two daughters, Stephanie and Lindsay. Stephanie and her husband, Jamie Nelson, live near Toronto, Kansas, with their three children, Corinne, Sutton and Reid. Lindsay is married to John Hill, and they live in Fort Scott, Kansas, with their sons, JJ and Hudson.



*Congratulations!*

*Noble of the Year  
Roger Farthing*



# These We Do Not Forget In Memoriam

**Morris Imthurn**

Creation 01/13/1975

Died 4/10/2019

**Michael Boltz**

Creation 4/13/2015

Died 05/20/2019

## Arab Shrine Potentates

1931-32	Dr. Norris Townsend	1961	Joseph Schneider	1990	Charles Hiebsch
1933	Al Williams	1962	Warren Paramore	1991	Eldo Crider
1934	Stanley Shook	1963	Delmer Daly	1992	Ray French
1935	Clinton Wilcox	1964	Roy Jaquith	1993	Paul Gibbons
1936	Charles Moore	1965	John Kroger	1995	El "Andy" Anderson
1937	Ralph Hinkson	1966	Waldo Haflich	1996	Jerry Teichgraber
1938	John Brandenburger	1967	Wayne Baker	1997	Frank Seufert
1939	Fernando LeDoux	1968	Rex Smith	1998	Larry Pressman
1940	Ray Ramsey	1969	Archie Swan	1999	George Kenworthy
1941	Sherman Bourassa	1970	Frank Oppitz	2000	John Porter
1942	Judge Paul Heinz	1971	Dale Moorman	2001	Paul Meierhenry
1943	Dr. Juther Dodd	1972	Ansel Searles	2002	Royce Keyser
1944	Herbert Barrett	1973	Martin Foltz	2003	Larry Bryan
1945	Charles R. Shrake	1974	Jack Quinlan	2004	John Janes
1946	Sidney Long	1975	John C. Dicus	2005	Lynn Holt
1947	Martin Phillips	1976	Donald Mahrle	2006	Ron Scrinopskie
1948	Frederick Gades	1977	E. Leslie Scrinopskie	2007	Paul Clarkson
1949	John Lewis	1978	Donald Horttor	2008	Don McClafin
1950	Paul Rogers	1979	James Parmiter	2009	Pat Devlin
1951	Jay Glen Davis	1980	Ronald Mannoni	2010	Larry Tice
1952	Ernest Thomas	1981	Frank Coffman, Jr.	2011	Alan Holt
1953	Scott Kelsey	1982	Carol Lewis	2012	Brian Hagmeier
1954	Henry Bubb	1983	Harlan Whiteley	2013	Bob Whitehead
1955	Robert Brown	1984	Richard Hamilton	2014	Rick Moody
1956	Waldemar Metzenthin	1985	William Ducksworth	2015	Brad Koehn
1957	Harold Jaspersen	1986	Albert Jackson, Jr.	2016	Jim Whitehead
1958	Carliss Swain	1987	Cap Grover	2017	Jeff Hurst
1959	Lloyd Raish	1988	Bill Koehn	2018	Paul Honaker
1960	Nels Nelson	1989	Richard Magathan		

Deceased

# Arab Shriners Gold Medallion Club



**PRESIDENT: Paul Clarkson, P.P (Diana)**  
**VICE PRESIDENT: Brian Hagmeier, P.P. (Nadyne)**  
**DIVAN REPRESENTATIVE: Josh Barr, (Tessa)**

## Gold Medallion w Ruby & 4 Diamonds (50 Petitions)

Paul Clarkson, P.P.

## Gold Medallion with Ruby & 3 Diamonds (25 Petitions)

Larry Pressman, P.P.                      Frank Seufert, P.P.  
John Taylor

## Gold Medallion with Ruby & 2 Diamonds (20 Petitions)

Robert Gifford                              Lynn Holt, P.P.

## Gold Medallion with Ruby & Diamond (15 Petitions)

Donald Horttor, P.P.                      Paul Meierhenry, P.P.                      Harold Stevenson  
Brad Koehn, P.P.                              Ed Ramirez                                      Bob Swafford  
George Martin                                      Terry Wilson

## Gold Medallion with Ruby (10 Petitions)

Merle Bradley                                      Don Hoover                                      Larry Kampschroeder  
Jim Curtis    Jeff Hurst, P.P.                                      Royce Keyser, P.P.  
Leonard Dale                                      Albert Jackson Jr., P.P.                              Smokie Siecgrist  
Pat Devlin, P.P.                                      Robert Jones                                      Larry Tice, P.P.  
Robert Griffin    Bob Whitehead, P.P.

## Gold Medallion (5 Petitions)

Brandon Adams                                      Paul Honaker                                      Dale Rohling  
Josh Anderson                                      Bob Inman    George Sauer  
Gary Ashton    Mike Jenks    Lee Schwartz  
Clark Allemang                                      Dale Jepson    Ron Scrinopskie, P.P.  
Stan Bartley    Steve Kramer    Gary Shofner  
Donnie Bohannon                                      Paul McAlister                                      Rich Siecgrist  
Floyd Bradley    Harold McElfresh                                      Rick Smith  
Ron Buchanan    Rick Meador    Mark Stephenson  
Jack Call    Rick Moody, P.P.                                      Roy Sullivan, P.G.M.  
Robert Dark    Chris Munk    Richard Temps  
John Duncan    Gary Pettijohn    Drew Torkelson  
Roger Elsbury    Kyle Purcell    Mike Turnbull  
Roger Farthing    Don Riffey    Eddie Van Horn  
Brian Hagmeier, P.P.                                      Milo Riley    Jarred White  
Steve Haslett    Mike Riley    Todd White  
Keith Heumann    Larry Rogers    Jim Whitehead, P.P.  
Curt Hogan    Ralph Wild  
Alan Holt, P.P.    Royce Wilson



**Chaplain  
Mark Varble**

# Chaplin's Corner

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the moon landing. "One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind," stated Astronaut Neil Armstrong, July 20, 1969, as he became the first man to walk on the moon, almost 238,900 miles away from the Earth. The second man on the moon was Colonel Buzz Aldrin.

Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin spent a total of 21 hours and 37 minutes on the moon's surface before re-docking their lunar module (LM) Eagle with the command ship Columbia, which was orbiting 57 miles above the Moon's surface.

Buzz Aldrin asked for radio silence before exiting the LM. Six months prior Madalyn Murray O'Hair brought a lawsuit against NASA. She objected to the previous Apollo 8 crew reading the first chapter of the Book of Genesis in their Christmas radio transmission in 1968.

What happened during the Radio Silence? Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong were members of the Webster Presbyterian Church. The morning before lift-off, they along with their wives and children went to the empty church and observed communion.

They asked the congregation of Webster Presbyterian Church to observe communion at 11:00 as close as possible to the same hour they would be observing communion on the lunar module. The Astronauts were allowed to bring a small personal item on their flight. They choose to bring a small communion chalice, package of bread and wine.

"Houston, this is Eagle. This is the LM Pilot speaking. I would like to request a few moments of silence." During the silence, they partook of communion from the silver chalice on the LM.

Neil Armstrong recounts: "For me this meant taking communion. In the radio blackout I opened the little plastic packages which contained bread and wine. I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon the wine curled slowly and gracefully up the side of the cup. It was interesting to think that the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the first food eaten there, were communion elements."

They read John 15:5 "I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

Then read Psalms 8:3-6 "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained; What is man that thou are mindful of him? And the son of man that thou visits him? For thou has made him made him a little lower than the angels, and has crowned him with glory and honor."

With this they concluded communion. Neil Armstrong was the first to exit the lunar module and stepped onto the powdery substance of the moon. "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." Buzz Aldrin was the next one to step onto the moon "Beautiful view. Magnificent desolation."

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## From the Editor

Thank you for your patience with my work on the Arab Antics. It is greatly appreciated! I'm enjoying continuing the practice of an awesome magazine!



Articles work best if submitted in a Microsoft Word file. Photos work best as a high resolution graphics file. For more information, please send me an email. If you'd like an Antics ad made for an upcoming event, please let me know as soon as possible and include the following: the event, date, issue to be included in, should it be sent to office for e-blasts.

The deadlines for the next issue is October 1 (November/December/January).

If you have any questions or are ready to submit stories for future issues, please contact me at andihartzell@gmail.com.

# From the Desk of the PR Director



**Rick Smith**  
**Public Relations**  
**Director**

As the summer winds down there are still many events that take place in the communities across the State of Kansas. There are 27 parades so far on the calendar this year and the list continues to grow. The parades throughout the state are well attended by the various Arab Shrine units and that exposure to those communities show that Shriners have fun and fellowship while supporting our children.

As the search continues for children in need of the special care provided by Shriners Hospitals. Screening for potential patients this year takes place in Marysville and Waverly where children in the central part of Kansas can be assessed by Drs and Nurses to qualify for the services Shriners Hospital for Children at no expense to the families.

Be sure and watch your calendars, emails, and check out the website. [www.arabshriners.org](http://www.arabshriners.org) and [www.facebook.com/arabshriners](http://www.facebook.com/arabshriners) for the details!

All of these efforts will only be as successful as your commitment to support and attend them, and to work and communicate with the nobility. Remember, it will take all of us working together to improve and increase our great fraternity. Together We can make a tremendous difference helping the kids and have some fun doing it.

## ARAB SHRINE BINGO

Every Friday in smoke free bingo hall! Security provided.  
Pull Tab Games; Concessions available for purchase.  
Doors @ 5:30 p.m. Games begin @ 6:25 p.m.



# From the desk of the Parade Marshall

**Roger Farthing**  
topzon1@swbell.net

**Saturday, September 14**  
Pioneer Days, Mayetta, KS  
3:00 p.m.; Line up: 1:30 pm  
Middle school south side of Main  
Contact: Judy Darnell 785-966-2710

**Saturday, October 19, 2019**  
ARAB Shrine Car Show  
2:00 pm, line up: 10:00 am  
Contact Curt Hogan 273-7200  
or Jim Curtis 273-6484  
Arabshriners.org  
Registration \$20.00

**Saturday, December 7**  
Winterfest Parade, Lyndon, KS  
Line up: Behind Lyndon High School  
Contact Hanna Small lyndonkspride@gmail.com

During this quarter we will be going through the busiest part of the parade season. This is an excellent time to show people who we are and why we are here for them.



The parade coordinators are awaiting our participation in their events. The website is constantly updated, as much as possible. Many changes occur daily. The weather this year has been a constant problem with the abnormal amount of rainfall. Many areas have problems keeping their schedules due to the flooding, with nowhere for the water to go.

Be sure to watch the ARAB Shrine Blasts for the latest parade information updates, as well as the ARAB Shrine Website.

Please keep displaying those American , as well as our own Shriners International Flags on our parade vehicles and floats.

Please continue to wear those Shrine branded shirts, caps, and jackets throughout the parade season to keep that 'Shriners Pride' on display.

Remember to keep these parades safe. We need to refrain from throwing candy and other objects from your motorized vehicles, and please, NO ALCOHOL during these events.

## The View from the Shrine Bowl Parade



# Boaters Unit

by Ted Ensley

Spring and summer are in the air and the Boaters are busy with their monthly meetings and other social issues. The Boaters are in support of our Shrine and Arab Temple by giving our time, talents and treasures. The Boaters understand they have a responsibility to increase the number of Shriners that call Arab Temple their home.

In April the meeting was at the Temple with PP and Captain Paul Clarkson and PP Pat Devlin as hosts. The meal was catered by Texas Roadhouse. The catered meal gave all those in attendance the opportunity to appease their taste buds and much more. PP and Captain Paul Clarkson called the meeting to order. He asked if all Past Potentates had anything to say, Boater Past Potentates present were Pat Devlin 2009, Brian Hagmeier 2012, Bob Whitehead 2013, Rick Moody 2014, Brad Koehn 2015, Jim Whitehead 2016. None of the Past Potentates had any comments or concerns. They were very complimentary about the Arab Temple and all the things that are going on within and outside the Temple. PP and Imperial Treasurer Brad Koehn reported on the Boaters treasury. There were no red numbers, all black. Ralph Wild, Director reported on a number of Temple initiatives. Lieutenant Roy Sullivan made sure the membership had liquid refreshments.

The May meeting was held at Ravenwood. The shoot that was planned was cancelled due to the weather. The meeting was hosted by Chip and Alex Munk. The meeting was well attended. The meal was catered by Hy-Vee. PP and Captain Paul Clarkson called the meeting to order. He asked if any of the Past Potentates present had any comments or concerns. None were reported. The weather early on in the evening was not very cooperative, but it cleared up and those present, considerable in number, had the opportunity to be outside in a wonderful setting. Everyone had a great time. A big thanks to Chip, Pam and Alex for providing a great setting to have a Boaters meeting. Lieutenant Roy Sullivan and Lady Becky came early and were the last to leave to make sure that refreshments were available to anyone that would like to have them.

The June meeting was held at the country estate of PP Brian and Nadyne Hagmeier. It was a beautiful evening with a spring shower, but that did not stop

most of the membership from being present. A special guest was welcomed, Marissa Dorsey, a niece of Drew and Barbara Torkelson, who represented the Boaters at the Shrine Bowl working with the cheerleaders. Brian was at the grill grilling steaks to perfection and Nadyne has a special way of preparing the side dishes, salad and scrumptious dessert to everyone's liking. It was evident that Brian and Nadyne spent lots of time making sure the food and setting was a reflection of their lifestyle. Lieutenant Roy Sullivan and Lady Becky were there to make sure that the liquid refreshments were to everyone's liking. PP and Captain Paul Clarkson convened the meeting. He asked if any of the Past Potentates present had any comments or would like to speak. None wished to. Ralph Wild, Director reported on the Temple activities. There was a reminder that at the July meeting a picture for the calendar would be taken and all that would be present were asked to be appropriately dressed for the picture. The last to speak was Illustrious Steve Kramer. He said that a long-time Boater Judge Sam Crow donated his wife's (Ruth) vehicle to the Temple. Ruth had passed away about four years ago and the Judge had retained the vehicle for that length of time for sentimental reasons. He decided to donate it so that the revenue from the sale of the vehicle could go to the hospitals. The sale has been completed and the money will be appropriately used. A very special thanks to His Honor for his generosity in Ruth's memory.



# Legion of Honor

By: David Smith

## Past Commander

Hi everyone! I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and having a lot of fun. It has been a hot one, but it is almost over, fall is right around the corner - that's right - Are You Ready For Some "FOOTBALL"? We missed last quarter Antics so I will catch you up on the LOH happening's.

In February the LOH members supported the circus by selling toys which made a lot of kids happy. The LOH Commander Richard Watson also participated in the bike give away by presenting a bike to a lucky family. I would like to thank all who dedicated their time. Again, Thank You!

Our annual LOH spaghetti feed was an outstanding success due to 1st Lieutenant Commander Ron Buchanan excellent organizing and coordinating. Want to thank all the LOH members and ladies that volunteered their services to make the spaghetti feed a great success. Without your support the spaghetti feed would not have been possible. We only heard good comments on how delicious and generous the meal was.

The International Association Legions of Honor (IALOH) held their annual convention in Dayton, Ohio this past April. The convention was a great event and everyone had a great time. The theme for this year's convention was "Come Fly with Us" so people dressed up in their "Top Gun" flying gear and Army coats.

Our June meeting was our annual Flag Day picnic held at the Tecumseh Park Shelter house. There were 40 members present enjoying Dickey's BBQ and having a great time. Besides the BBQ, Steve Suchsland and his Lady Marge and Gayle Vernon and his lady Alice served up some great tasting homemade ice cream.

The LOH sponsored a band member and a football player for the Kansas Shrine Bowl. The band member is Sophie Wagemaker, Topeka High and the football player is Sam Payne, Seaman High. The Shrine Bowl is a great opportunity for young adults to see how Shiner Hospitals provides exceptional medical and personal support to kids. The LOH was represented in the Shrine Bowl parade by Commander Richard

Watson, Morris Sykes and Steve Suchsland.

The Arab Legion of Honor purchased two honor bricks to be displayed at the Kansas National Guard museum. One is for Alex Parker Arab Past Commander and one is for the Arab LOH.

In August our LOH members will be attending the CSSA convention in Sioux City, Iowa. The convention is always great fun.

Our November meeting will be our ladies appreciation dinner. It will be our usual Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings. Ladies you do not have to cook, so come and enjoy the meal. Also, at the meeting the "Salute to Veterans" video will be played honoring all the men and women that have served in the military. A few changes have been made to the video which I think you will like. If you are a LOH member or an Arab Shriner that has served in the military and have not submitted a picture for the video, please do. You can give the picture to a LOH officer, turn it into the temple office or e-mail it to [kansasgator@att.net](mailto:kansasgator@att.net).

If you are a Shriner and have served in the military and are interested in becoming a member of the LOH or would like more information about the LOH we would like to have you as a guest at one of our meetings. The meetings are a lot of fun and the food is catered so you don't have to worry about bringing anything. Contact any of the officers in the 2019 calendar book for details.

Until next time, have fun, be safe and remember – "Shiners Help Kids – That's what we do!"







# **Oriental Band**

**by Adam L. Villalobos**  
**Secretary**

The Mighty, Mighty Arab Oriental Band has been lying low lately, but we haven't disappeared. We are simply plotting our next big attack. We won't be attending CSSA this year, but we have our sights set on the Imperial Session to be held in Kansas City next year. It will be held July 5 – 9 2020 and we want very much to join the fun and be a competitive participant in the OB competition.

Be on the lookout for e-mail blasts from the OB as we are looking for a few good men to be part of our musical unit. We want to strengthen our unit to be a true competitor at Imperial. In the meantime, we hope to be able to participate in a few parades to help shake off the cobwebs. Keep your eyes peeled and your ears open (or plugged), because the Oriental Band will be invading the Shrine and the general public in the very near future.

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## **Ritualistic Cast**

**By: Tom Johnson, Director**

The Cast did the concessions on May 31 with eight people – six of them ours. Thanks for everyone's help. We decided not to have meetings in the summer as we have in the past. Our next meeting will be at Applebees on September 5.

We will do our next concession stand on August 30 and are in the process of recruiting people to help.

The Fall Ceremonial will be September 21. We are looking forward to that. I will put together and assign parts in August so we will have a full cast. Hopefully

Following is the e-mail blast message seeking new members.

The award winning Arab Shrine Oriental Band is seeking new members to join our fabulous musical unit. Though we are a musical group, absolutely no musical experience is necessary to participate. Our band instruments consist of percussion (hand drums, cymbals, gong, etc.) and musette (horn). We are currently in need of horn players, but welcome any Noble who just wants to have fun playing an instrument.

We are fortunate to have the Imperial Session in Kansas City in 2020 and it is our plan to compete with other Oriental Bands from around the country at this very special event. We enjoy the competition, but more importantly, we look forward to the camaraderie with our fellow oriental bands.

If you are in search of a new unit or second unit that is fun, easy going, and enjoys music, please consider the Oriental Band. We meet at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of every month at the Arab Shrine. Please feel free to join us at a meeting to meet the members and check out the Unit. If you have questions you can reach me at avillalobos3@att.net or 785-806-0197. Thank you.

we will have a nice class as many of our area lodges have been busy doing degree work.

I hope everyone is having a good summer and staying cool as it is very hot.

Sometime this summer we will be moving to our new room on the North side of the mosque just west of the Northeast lounge. This will allow the kitchen crew to get to the things they need easier.

I hope everyone stays safe and enjoy the rest of your summer.



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# WE PLACED A BET ON CASINO NITE AND ENDED UP WITH



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1305 S. Kansas Ave.  
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**When:** Sat. September 14, 2019

**Time:** Doors open at 12:00pm  
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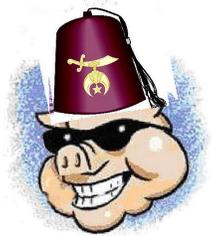
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# **Swiners**

## **OINK!! OINK!!**

**by Illus. Sir Paul Clarkson  
and Roger Farthing**

The Swiners have been relatively slow during the last few weeks, as we have a number of our members involved with a number of major activities around the area.

We haven't found the replacement grill necessary to complete the larger orders such as full steak dinners. Member availability is a major problem during the summer months. We hope to have this situation under

control in the very near future.

We currently have a request to cook for the Clown Unit on Sunday, July 28, at the Goodyear Employees Family Center.

As usual, we are still looking for new members. The dues are very reasonable, to the point that Illus. Sir Paul Clarkson will pay the dues of any new member. Just call Paul or Roger to get your name added to the call list.

# **Spring and Summer Masonic Liaison**

## **by Roger Farthing**



*This report was inadvertently left out of the last issue of the Arab Antics. The editor regrets the error.*

On March 15, 2019, The Grand Lodge of Kansas hosted the 163rd. Annual Communication in Wichita.

The event site was filled with Masons from Kansas, as well as a number of other state jurisdictions, making this event a success. We heard various committee reports and proposals. There were a total of (7) proposals to be voted in or out during the session. As a final result (5) proposals defeated, (1) passed, and (1) was withdrawn.

Grand Master, Robert C. Talbot conducted a very timely and business-like meeting, followed by the election of Grand Officers the coming year. The Craft elected Most Worshipful Dale Morrow, Grand Master for the upcoming year.

I was able to re-acquaint myself with the Grand-Master of the Prince Hall Masons. This was especially nice conversation, with a plan to make a visit to one of their meetings in the near future. There will be more information relative to date and time, probably on the Shrine Blasts.

We are going to attempt to keep the membership aware of any progress in the masonic building sales and/or purchases.

Grand Lodge was closed on the Third Degree of Masonry, peace and harmony, prevailing.

## **August/September/October Update**

Recently we learned that the Kansas Grand Lodge building had been sold. This was not a total surprise, as the build has fell into disrepair over the many years of service to the Masons of Kansas.

This does present a problem to the various lodges who have been meeting there on an "as needed basis". At least 3 lodges, the Scottish Rite, the DeMolay, and the Eastern Star of Kansas have been renting the lodge room and various other areas to conduct their business. These groups are in the process of finding a new home. Not an easy task.

The Grand Lodge also needs storage areas for many records, older lodge furnishings, and archives covering many years of Masonic work.

Now, more than ever before, it becomes necessary to stay in touch with your home lodge, ask questions, and be willing to help, aid and assist members of our fraternity.

Obviously, there will be much more information to come in the near future.

Attend Your Lodge Meetings.



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## Topless by Howard Marlow

The Topless Unit held regular dinner meetings on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Meetings were held at The Landing Bar & Grill, A.J.'s Pizza Parlor, Blind Tiger, The Arab Shrine and Celtic Fox. We have averaged 18 in attendance, including members, their ladies, Potentate Steve Kramer and his Lady Peggy, and our Divan Rep John Cahill and his Lady Kathy. On Friday, May 24, the Topless Unit along with the Nobelles, hosted a very successful and

well attended hors d'oeuvres in Spiker's Oasis at the Arab Shrine.

Our first parade this year was at the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 16 in downtown Topeka. Although only two members paraded, Harold Flickinger with his grandson and President Howard with his Lady Karen, it was a beautiful parade day with thousands of spectators. We were able to be near the front of the parade and lined up with the other Shrine Units; Lil Chops, Boaters, Antiques, Rawhidiers and Sun Devils. A very good representation of the Arab Shrine.

On Saturday, June 1, four Topless members and guests; Floyd Badley with Don Burns, PGM Roy Sullivan, PP Jeff Hurst with Lady Loretta, and Howard Marlow, travelled to Strong City and Cottonwood Falls for their two-city parade. We were invited to join the Lil Chops for a barbeque and potluck dinner following the parades.

June 8 was the Shrine Bowl in Dodge City with two Topless Unit members; Floyd Bradley escorting Chief Rabban Larry Dain and Oriental Guide Jeff Neil, and Howard Marlow escorting Potentate Steve Kramer in the parade. The Topless Unit sponsored a Shrine Bowl football player and a Band Camp member.

Also, on June 8 the Topless Unit paraded in Lecompton represented by Gary Pettijohn, Jim & Bonnie Carrol, Tom & Cheryl Frederick and Jeff & Loretta Hurst. On June 15 we paraded in Dover with PP Jeff & Loretta Hurst, Gary & Ethel Pettijohn, Howard & Karen Marlow.

Future meetings include Iron Rail Brewing and a joint meeting with the Antiques Unit at the Evel Knievel Museum /Henry's BBQ.

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## Nobelles by Eileen Rogers

We met on April 2 at The Blue Moose. Nineteen members attended. Guest was Diana Osterhout. Dorothy Alexander won the door prize. New by-laws were read, voted on and approved. Our speaker was Margie Peffer, who was a victim of a car-jacking and the problems of the aftermath. Our Divan Representative Linda Dain was with us up-dating the group on upcoming events.

Nineteen members met at Perkin's Restaurant on May 7 for lunch and the meeting. Also attending were our Divan Representative Linda Dain and First Lady Peggy Coots. Both up-dated us on coming events. Sue Brubaker won the door prize.

Annie's in Gage Center was the site of our June Meeting, which I did not attend. It was reported that nineteen members were there. First Lady Peggy Coots and Divan Representative Linda Dain attended. Shirley Guthrie won the door prize of a vase of fresh flowers.

# **Arab Shrine Clown's**

## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Wine Tasting**

**Seasonal Beers & Spirits too!**

**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.**

**At Arab Shrine Center**

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**Topeka, KS 66612**



**\$15 a person or \$25 a person at door.**

**For tickets, call 816-261-4935**

**Or see your favorite clown for tickets**

# Clowns

by Brad "Whiznut" Pollman  
Secretary

It's Summertime and to a Shrine Clown that means two things: Shrine Bowl and Parades! Several Clowns were in attendance at this year's Shrine Bowl in Dodge City. Kurt "Knothead" Lawson, David "Bo" Johnson, Alan "Smokey" Barrett and Bob "Willie" Swafford all "clowned up" to participate in the parade! Larry "Doodle" Dain, Jeff "Freddie" Neal and Donnie "Bobo" Bohannon were also riding in the parade.

For the Shrine Bowl game, Field Crew members were: Bob "Willie" Swafford, Crew Captain, David "Bo" Johnson, Alan "Smokey" Barrett, Kurt "Knothead" Lawson, Alan "Snickers" Holt, Paul "Punky" Honaker, Keith "Dandy" Bricker and Howard "Howie" Marlow Jr. So pleased to report that no clown got injured this year! Everyone enjoyed the Shrine bowl.

Now on to Parades! There have been numerous parades this season. Some were altered or cancelled due to the rains we've been getting. There were several over the 4th of July. One clown has been busy working on his parade car and hopes to have it in a parade real soon. Have you seen Alan "Smokey" Barrett's Firetruck? It's a crowd pleaser!

Our annual Clown picnic is scheduled for July 28th at 2:00 at the Goodyear Community Room. Hope to have a good turnout of clowns! In the meantime be on the lookout at your favorite parade for a Shrine Clown. Till then, keep Clowning around!



October 26, 2019

# Harvest

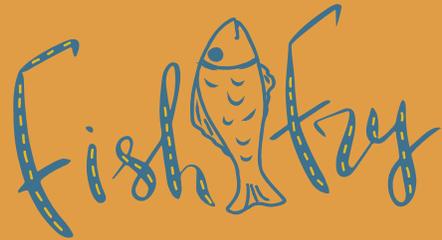
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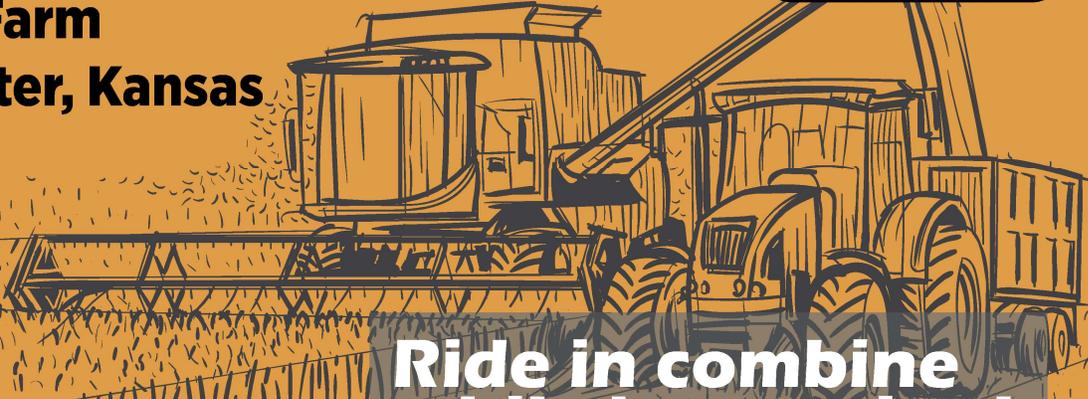


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# HEROES AMONG US



## Supporting the Patient Ambassador program of Shriners Hospitals for Children

The best way to understand the amazing, profound difference our health care system makes in the lives of our patients and families is through their stories. And when the children, proud and confident, share their experiences publicly, the impact is powerful and unforgettable.

*“Our patients are the true heroes of Shriners Hospitals for Children®,”* said First Lady Cheryl Sowder. *“They give hope and inspiration to others and reinforce the message that Shriners Hospitals for Children provides life-changing care.”*

Cheryl believes we need to acknowledge the incredible spirit and abilities of our patients, and support and encourage their desire and efforts to share their stories as Patient Ambassadors for the health care system.

*“We are so honored and proud to have them in our Shriners family, and we are inspired by their generosity and determination every single day,”* said Cheryl.

### A Patient-inspired Program

A strong Patient Ambassador program has been a goal of Cheryl's since 2009, when she first met Madelyn, then age 8. A patient of Shriners Hospitals for Children — St. Louis since she was 3 months old, Madelyn was already representing the hospital at events. The youngster told Cheryl she enjoyed sharing her story and her love of Shriners Hospitals with the community, and even wanted to tell the whole world about the wonderful health care system. But, Madelyn said, wouldn't it be nice if she could have a badge or a shirt that identified her as a Patient Ambassador? Right then, Cheryl knew she would use her future First Lady's Program to support and strengthen our Patient Ambassadors.

*“These children can tell the story of Shriners Hospitals better than anyone,”* said Cheryl. *“We are pleased to provide a program to support and enhance their efforts.”*

This will be a very special year, as Madelyn is one of our National Patient Ambassadors, and will be an amazing example for both the First Lady's program and the health care system.

### A System-wide Approach

Some patients who want to be ambassadors are already confident and poised, and easily take to public speaking, even on a personal topic like their lives, while others need some time, assistance and practice. Cheryl's program will help provide these opportunities throughout our system, ensuring that as many children as possible can benefit from the Patient Ambassador experience.

First Lady Cheryl invites you to join her in supporting the Patient Ambassadors of Shriners Hospitals for Children. Your donations will help these amazing, generous children gain skills that will serve them throughout their lives, while they promote the unique, life-changing wrap-around care that can only be found at Shriners Hospitals for Children. For a gift of \$40 in support of the program, you may choose a unique necktie or bow tie, a beautiful bracelet bead or a gorgeous snap necklace featuring angel wings. Your generosity will allow us to express our endless gratitude, and encourage and educate the amazing **Heroes Among Us.**

For more information, please visit [lovetotherescue.org/first-lady-program](http://lovetotherescue.org/first-lady-program)



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# ARAB SHRINERS SPORTSMAN'S EVENT

## Saturday, November 9, 2019

Arab Shrine 1305 S. Kansas Ave, Topeka, KS



### THE RAFFLE TICKETS: \$50

Each ticket has a chance to win 1 of 26 guns! With each ticket purchased; you can buy an extra \$20 ticket for the 50/50 raffle. All tickets purchased & turned in by September 1 are eligible for September 9 early bird drawing.

### THE EVENT EXTRA TICKETS: \$10

Each ticket includes admission to the Sportsman's Event on November 9. Extra event only tickets are \$10 each. There will be complimentary food, pop & keg beer (21+) and games with prizes. Extra guns will be given away at the event.

### THE GUNS

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- Franchi Momentum 6.5 Creedmore
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- Savage Axis XP .308 Win
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- Henry Singleshott Brass Magnum

#### Lever Action Rifle

- Mossberg 464 Lever Action 30-30

#### Semi Auto Rifle

- Remington 597 .22 LR
- Savage 64 .22 LR
- Savage A22 .22LR

#### Semi Auto Shotgun

- Beretta A300 Outlander 12 ga
- Benelli SBE II Classic 12 ga
- Stoeger M3500 Camo 12 ga
- Winchester SX4 Upland Field 12 ga

#### Over/Under Shotgun

- CZ Drake Walnut 20 ga
- Stoeger Condor 12 ga

#### Pump Shotgun

- Remington 870 Express 12 ga
- Benelli Nova Black Synthetic 12ga

#### Revolver

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- Browning BuckMark .22 LR
- Beretta Nano 9mm
- Sig Sauer P320C Nitron Compact 9mm
- Springfield XDS .45 ACP

#### Early Bird Drawing

- Kimber Micro .380 with Rosewood Grips

### FAQ

- **Minimum age to purchase a ticket?** You must be 21 years of age to purchase a ticket.
- **How will I be notified if I win?** You will be called the day of the event or shortly thereafter. **CLEARLY** write your name and phone # on the ticket! We will ship to a FFL Dealer if you're out of town.
- **Do I need my ticket to attend the event? What if I lose it?** We keep a list of tickets sold.
- **Where can I buy tickets on-line?** [ArabShiners.org](http://ArabShiners.org)
- **My son is 14, can he attend with me?** Yes. Tickets to the event are \$10 & can be bought there.
- **Can anyone attend the event or is it for Shriners only?** Shriners and non-Shriners may attend the event. There is a \$10.00 charge for those that did not purchase a ticket.
- **Are the tickets tax deductible?** No. All proceeds will benefit Arab Shrine General Fund and are not deductible as a charitable donation.

### THE FINE PRINT

All Federal & State laws will be adhered to. All guns are handled through FFL dealer, Bill Senne, Senne's Guns, 15680 134th Rd. Hoyt, KS. All proceeds benefit the Arab Shrine and are not deductible as a charitable donation.

**PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS AT ARABSHINERS.ORG  
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## This Is My Moment:

### The stories of Cristian and Madelyn

Every year, Shriners Hospitals for Children® selects two National Patient Ambassadors to represent the health care system's patients. The ambassadors spend the year sharing their stories of perseverance in the face of adversity and the ways Shriners Hospitals for Children has made a dramatic difference in their lives. Introducing our two new Ambassadors:

#### Cristian

Cristian, who is now 18, was born with spina bifida and hydrocephalus. In his first two weeks of life, Cristian had two surgeries and went on to have nearly a dozen more. Cristian faced several of the same challenges of many other patients with spina bifida, including gastro-intestinal system and balance difficulties, as well as complications from various surgeries.



For several years, Cristian's family had difficulty finding doctors who understood how to best help him. That all changed one day in 2012, when Cristian met a Shriner who referred him to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Cristian was 13 when he had the surgery that he says changed his life and gave him hope, at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Los Angeles (now Shriners for Children Medical Center in Pasadena, California).

Devoted to his schoolwork and seminary studies as well as his part-time job and playing the cello, Cristian has also been active in supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children. He even dedicated his Eagle Scout project to the cause, raising funds to present more than 200 Build-A-Bear toys to the Pasadena medical center.

Cristian is looking forward to his responsibilities as a National Patient Ambassador. "I know that I am who I am because of the Shriners," he said. "I have been able to see that I can do whatever I want and I can overcome any obstacle that I face. I want to give back to them because of that — because of the life that they've given me. Through Shriners Hospitals for Children and the national ambassadorship that I've been given, I hope to share a message of positivity and hope to all those who need it."

#### Madelyn

Madelyn, now 19, was born 10 weeks early. Doctors told her parents that she was beautiful, healthy, tiny — and was born without her left arm.



Madelyn's journey with Shriners Hospitals for Children began with her first visit to our St. Louis location, when she was just 3 months old. Throughout her childhood, Madelyn used prosthetics, mainly for balance, and to help with various activities. Occupational therapists at the hospital helped Madelyn learn to function and interact in the world. As she grew older, Madelyn began using her prosthetics less often, and by middle school, she opted to stop using them.

In school, Madelyn's busy schedule included not only her classwork but also competitive swimming, first on a team for children with disabilities, then on her high school team. She also participated in competitive, coed water polo. "Nothing is impossible in my mind," she said. "It's just the ability to adapt and work around it."

Madelyn has always devoted herself to advocating and educating. She loves to make YouTube videos showing how to accomplish things using only one arm. At Ability Awareness Week, a program of St. Louis area elementary schools, Madelyn loves to share her story and to explain how Shriners Hospitals for Children changed her life. Drawing from her own experiences of being bullied for having only one arm, Madelyn likes to incorporate anti-bullying themes into her presentations.

Madelyn is currently a student at Maryville University in St. Louis, where she is very active in student activities, and made the Dean's List her first two semesters.

*"I am incredibly excited to see where this year takes me,"*

*Madelyn said. "I hope to inspire other kids, and be able to show them that they can do anything they put their mind to — they might just do it a little bit differently."*

We congratulate Cristian and Madelyn, and thank them for their willingness to represent Shriners Hospitals for Children, and share their stories. To view their video, *This is My Moment*, please visit [youtube.com/shrinershospitals](https://youtube.com/shrinershospitals).



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# The Importance of Positive Communication to Children with Disabilities

## The Power of Language

Our word choices have a tremendous impact on those around us. Children, especially, are deeply influenced by the language surrounding them – who they become is based on who they are learning to be. The staff of Shriners Hospitals for Children® understands the importance of building confidence and self-esteem in our patients at an early age. Our staff recognizes that while working with children with disabilities, it is imperative to help them develop a strong positive attitude so they will have the confidence to pursue their dreams. To accomplish this, being mindful of the effect language has on children is critical.

Two essential points in using communication as affirmation are accurate wording and people-first language. Always remember to use language that encourages, rather than discourages, the individual. When referring to those with a disability, please remember to **avoid labels with a negative connotation**, such as:

- crippled
  - handicapped
  - lame
  - deformed
- » **The preferred word choice is usually:**
- disability
  - disabled
  - the actual term involved, such as, cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy

## People with Disabilities are People First

The second key element of communicating with people with disabilities is the need to use “people-first language,” where the person is the important element, rather than the disability.

For example, try using phrases such as “a person *with* cerebral palsy” or “a person *who uses* a prosthetic arm,” rather than defining them by the disability itself.

It is also important to recognize that people are individuals, and to **avoid lumping those with disabilities together into one group**, like “the disabled,” “the spinal cord injured,” or to refer to “all people with X.”

» Another important aspect of using people-first language is to **avoid negative descriptive phrases and terms**, such as:

- confined to a wheelchair
- wheelchair bound
- victim stricken with
- suffering

Instead, try saying a person “uses a wheelchair,” or “has cerebral palsy.”



*“We must take language very seriously. The feeling I have is that language is always a reflection of attitude. With the advancement of the disability movement, you see a change in language.” – Michael Masutha*

Also avoid **value-laden words and phrases**, whether negative or positive, because even seemingly positive labels such as “courageous” and “inspirational” can be burdensome to a child, setting unnecessary high expectations, that may be hard to maintain.

As part of using people-first language, it is also imperative to not define people by their disabilities. This is accomplished by **emphasizing abilities, not limitations**.

- » For instance:
- Say: “Darlene is an excellent writer,” rather than, “Despite her disability, Darlene is an excellent writer.”
  - Say, “Johnny is a child with a disability,” instead of the defining, “Johnny is a *disabled child*.”

Being mindful of preferred disability terminology and using people-first language whenever possible will help children with disabilities become more confident and able to become successful, productive adults.



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335	Allen	Allen	Second Wednesday
357	Alta Vista	Alta Vista	First & Third Monday
109	Americus	Americus	Second & Fourth Monday
32	Auburn	Auburn	First Tuesday
234	Axtell	Axtell	Third Monday
259	Beattie	Beattie	First & Third Wednesday
169	Blue Rapids	Blue Rapids	Second & Fourth Monday
79	Burlingame	Burlingame	First & Third Wednesday
66	Burlington	Burlington	Second & Fourth Wednesday
70	Carbondale	Carbondale	Second & Fourth Wednesday
20	Circleville	Circleville	Second & Fourth Monday
419	Delia	Delia	First Wednesday
138	Dover	Dover	Second Thursday
12	Emporia	Emporia	First & Third Monday
205	Eskridge	Eskridge	Second & Fourth Monday
67	Frankfort	Frankfort	First & Third Wednesday
42	Holton	Holton	First Thursday
152	Lebo	Lebo	First & Third Monday
27	Leroy	Leroy	First & Third Tuesday
101	Lyndon	Euclid	Second & Fourth Wednesday
91	Marysville	Marysville	First & Third Tuesday
393	Mayetta	Mayetta	Second & Fourth Thursday
22	Melvern	Melvern	First Monday
25	Oketo	Oketo	First & Third Monday
188	Onaga	Onaga	First Wednesday
62	Overbrook	Ridgeway	Second Tuesday
162	Sabetha	Sabetha	Second & Fourth Monday
50	Silver Lake	Lake	First & Third Thursday
248	Tecumseh	Albert Neese	First & Third Thursday
17	Topeka	Topeka	First & Third Wednesday
51	Topeka	Orient	Second & Fourth Tuesday
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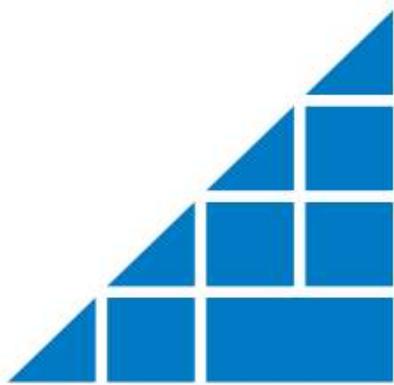
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
4	5 Exec/Dir. Mtg	6 Nobelles	7 Coffee  Clutchers  Antiques Clay Busters
11	12	13 Arab Escorts	14 Coffee  Clutchers  Lil Chops
18	19 Golfers Sabetha  Sun Devils	20 Boaters	21 Coffee  Clutchers <b>CSSA</b>  Mini-Ts
25	26 Arab Patrol	27	28 Coffee  Clutchers

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1	2 LABOR DAY	3 Exec/Dir. Mtg Nobelles	4 Coffee  Clutchers  Antiques Clay Busters
8	9 STATED MEETING w/LADIES  Band	10 Arab Escorts LOH	11 Coffee  Clutchers
15	16	17	18 Coffee  Clutchers <b>FALL GOLF OUTING - 15th -18th</b>
	Sun Devils	Boaters	<b>SPECIAL MEETING</b>
22	23 Arab Patrol	24 Provost Guard	25 Coffee  Clutchers  Topless
29  <b>LADIES TRIP</b>	30 Golfers Cypress Ridge	31	

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  Ritualistic Cast	2 Bingo 1	3
8  Oriental Band	9 Bingo 2	10  Brews Brothers Social
15	16 Bingo 3  Hors d'oeuvres Swiners/ Brews Brothers Greeters	17  PROVOST GUARD FISH FRY
22	23 Bingo 4	24
<b>CSSA 2019 SIOUX CITY 21st THRU 24th</b>		
29	30 Bingo 1	31

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5  Ritualistic Cast	6 Bingo 2	7  FALL CLEAN-UP DAY
12  Clowns Oriental Band	13 Bingo 3  Hors d'oeuvres Boaters  Greeters	14
19  Director's Staff Cartoons	20 Bingo 4  Rawhiders	21  FALL CEREMONIAL LADIES LUNCHEON
26	27 Bingo 1  <b>LADIES TRIP</b>	28

AUGUST 2019

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		1  Exec/Dir. Mtg Nobelles	2 Coffee  Clutchers  Clay Busters
6	7  STATED MEETING  Band	8  Arab Escorts LOH	9 Coffee  Clutchers  BINGO APPRECIATION DINNER  Antiques
13  MYSTERY TRIP	14	15  Boaters	16 Coffee  Clutchers  Mini T's
20	21  Sun Devils	22  Provost Guard	23 Coffee  Clutchers  Topless
27  SUN DEVILS HALLOWEEN PARTY	28  Arab Patrol	29	30 Coffee  Clutchers

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4  Exec/Dir. Mtg	5  Nobelles	6 Coffee  Clutchers  Antiques
10	11  STATED MEETING  Band	12  LOH	13 Coffee  Clutchers
17	18  Sun Devils	19  Boaters	20 Coffee  Clutchers
24	25  Arab Patrol	26  Provost Guard	27 Coffee  Clutchers  Topless

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3  Ritualistic Cast	4  Bingo 2	5  CLOWNS WINE TASTING
10  Oriental Band Clowns	11  Bingo 3 <b>MYSTERY TRIP</b>  Greeters	12
17  Cartoons Director's Staff	18  Bingo 4	19  ANTIQUES CAR SHOW  BOO AT THE ZOO
24  Oriental Band	25  Bingo 1	26  HARVEST DAY BARN PARTY  BOO AT THE ZOO
31  HALLOWEEN		

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1  Bingo 2	2  ARAB PATROL PANCAKE FEED  RAIN DATE FOR HARVEST DAY
7  Ritualistic Cast	8  Bingo 3	9  CASINO NIGHT
14  Clowns Director's Staff	15  Bingo 4	16
21  Cartoons	22  Bingo 1 Hors d'oeuvres by Golfers	23
28  THANKSGIVING	29  Bingo 2	30

OCTOBER 2019

NOVEMBER 2019



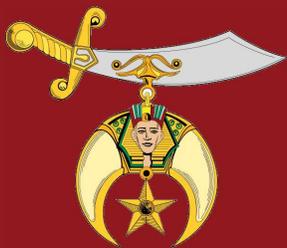
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